

VETERANS FOOD DRIVE NOW UNDERWAY

The City of Kannapolis, the Kannapolis Cannon Ballers and Old Armor Beer Company are sponsoring a food drive for Cabarrus and Rowan County veterans who are in need.

Drop off your canned food items in the carts at Kannapolis City Hall, 401 Laureate Way; at the ticket office at Atrium Health Ballpark; or at Old Armor Beer Company from October 1 to November 12.

There are approximately 27,000 veterans in Cabarrus and Rowan Counties, and approximately 10,000 of these veterans seek assistance from the Cabarrus and Rowan County Veteran Services Offices annually.

Items that are needed the most are canned meats, peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, canned fruit, pork-n-beans and pudding

cups. Individually-wrapped snack cakes and cookies are also a favorite and much appreciated.

All the items will be taken to Cabarrus and Rowan County Veteran Services Offices, which will distribute them to veterans in time for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

NEED HELP PAYING YOUR RENT/UTILITY BILL?

The Emergency Rental Assistance Program secures housing for local renters experiencing COVID-19 based hardships.

The U.S. Department of Treasury awarded Cabarrus County Government more than \$6.5 million to help local households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The funding is available through the \$25-billion Emergency Rental Assistance program (ERAP) established by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021.



For eligible households, the County can pay overdue rent and utilities (electricity, gas, water and sewer, trash removal and energy costs) that are not covered within rent dating back to March 13, 2020, and through the remainder of the year or until funding runs out.

Residents can apply online at erap.cabarruscounty.us using any Internet-connected personal computer, tablet or smartphone. Paper applications are also available at County offices.



ENVIRONMENTAL TIP

Please check the stormwater drains in your neighborhood. Help us keep water flowing properly by cleaning them out if you see any stopped up with debris, which helps prevent flooding.

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Follow the City on Facebook (facebook.com/cityofkannapolis), Instagram @KannapolisNC, LinkedIn (linkedin.com/company/cityofkannapolis), Nextdoor (nextdoor.com/Kannapolisnc.gov) and Twitter @Kannapolis for regular updates and more ideas for fun.

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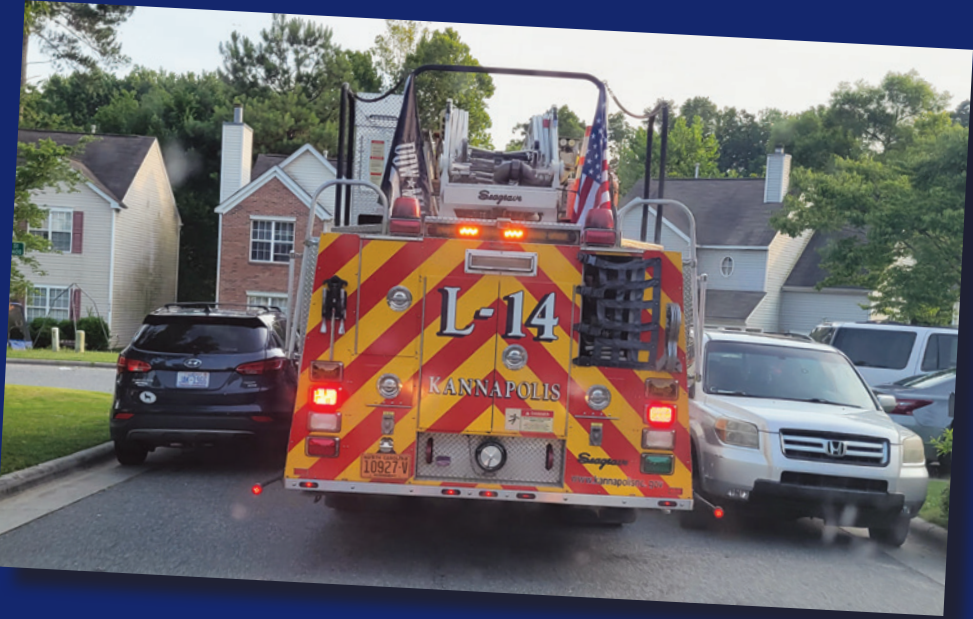


RESIDENTS ENCOURAGED TO NOT BLOCK STREETS WITH VEHICLES

The City of Kannapolis Fire and Police Departments would like to remind you to only park cars on one side of the street in your neighborhood. When cars park on both sides of the street, it is difficult for emergency vehicles to respond to emergencies.

Many neighborhoods have narrow roadways that do not adequately allow for cars to park on both sides of the street. City ordinance prohibits any on-street parking that does not leave 10 feet of roadway to allow movement of cars and emergency vehicles.

If vehicles park on both sides of the street, it is nearly impossible for a fire truck to travel down the roadway. Although police vehicles are not as wide as fire trucks, parked vehicles on both sides of the street significantly slow down their response times as well. In an emergency, every minute counts. If firefighters and police officers must stop, locate vehicle owners and ask them to move, they lose critical time.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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- 9 **Kannapolis Cruise-In**
11 a.m. | N.C. Research Campus Horseshoe
- 21 **N.C. Music Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony**
6 p.m. | Gem Theatre

Find COVID testing/vaccine information at www.cabarrushealth.org and at rowancountync.gov/covid-19.

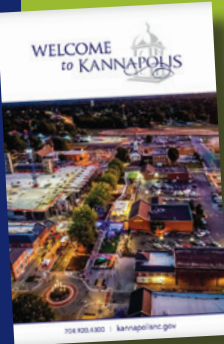


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It is also difficult for garbage, recycling and yard waste staff to navigate streets when emptying carts and collecting items with so many vehicles on the streets.

Please remember to be mindful of where you park and watch for all City vehicles.

ARE YOU NEW TO KANNAPOLIS?



We have a Newcomers Guide for you. Everything you need to know about the City is in this handy booklet. View it online (<https://www.kannapolisnc.gov>), or get a printed copy at City Hall or request a copy by mail by calling 704-920-4300.

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BASKETBALL REGISTRATION NOW UNDERWAY

Registration for Kannapolis Parks and Recreation Youth Basketball Program is now underway. The program is open for children 3-15 years old. Registration closes October 31.

The registration fee is \$40 for Kannapolis residents and \$60 for non-residents. This includes the cost of uniforms, practices and games. Participants are required to have proper athletic shoes. Scholarships and sponsorship opportunities are available.

Practices will start the week of November 29. Games begin in December. Practices and games will primarily take place in Kannapolis City School gym facilities.

Visit kannapolisnc.gov or call Parks and Recreation at 704-920-4343 to register, apply for a scholarship, apply to be a coach or to sign up as a sponsor.



LOOSE LEAF COLLECTION BEGINS IN OCTOBER

Loose leaf collection will begin October 25 and will end March 4, 2022. After March 4, we request that you bag any loose leaves you have and place them at the curb for yard waste collection.

There will not be loose leaf collection on the following holidays:

- Veterans Day (Nov. 11)
- Thanksgiving (Nov. 25 and 26)
- Christmas (Dec. 23, 24 and 27)
- New Year's Eve (Dec. 31)
- Martin Luther King Day (Jan. 17).

Please help us by remembering these Loose Leaf Collection Dos & Don'ts:

- Leaves must be placed at the curb or along the ditch line – not in ditches – in rows parallel with the street.
- Place leaves at the curb by 7 a.m. on the day of collection.
- Leaves mixed with limbs, other yard waste, gum balls, gravel, glass or other solid matter will not be collected.
- Leaves in garbage containers will not be collected.
- Leaves must be clear of water meters and fences, and placed on the street side of retaining walls.
- Leaves must be clear of sidewalks/street.

To find your loose leaf collection schedule, visit kannapolisnc.gov/looseleaf, or download the free CARTology app in Apple and Google Play stores.



KANNAPOLIS SHRED EVENT IS OCTOBER 16

On Saturday, October 16, from 9 a.m. until noon, the Kannapolis Transportation and Environmental Services Department will host a free document shredding event at the department located at 1401 Bethpage Road.

This event is for Kannapolis residents only. Document shredding is limited to five file boxes per person, which is the equivalent of two 40-gallon trash bags. No businesses please.

For more information, call Transportation and Environmental Services at 704-920-4200.



STAY SAFE THIS HALLOWEEN!



TIPS FOR A SAFE AND SPOOKY HALLOWEEN

- Stay with an adult
- Wear a mask
- Dress warm
- Look for cars before crossing the street
- Leave lights on and lock doors while away from home
- Have an adult check candy
- Use safe costumes and props
- Wear reflective clothing/tape

